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## **Full Closure of IL 173 at UPRR Tracks in Zion for Crossing Repairs**

**CHICAGO** – The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) announced that a full closure will take place on Illinois 173 at the Union Pacific railroad tracks located west of Illinois 131, in Zion, beginning, weather permitting, Thursday, June 22. The closure is necessary to make repairs to the railroad crossing.

Starting at 8 a.m. Thursday, Illinois 173 will be fully closed at the UPRR tracks west of Illinois 131. A posted detour will direct eastbound Illinois 173 traffic to go south on U.S. 41, east on Illinois 132 and north on Illinois 131 to meet back with Illinois 173. Westbound Illinois 173 should take the reverse route.

The repairs are scheduled to be completed by the evening of Friday, June 23, weather permitting.

Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for trips through this area. Drivers are urged to pay close attention to flaggers and signs in the work zones, obey the posted speed limits and be on the alert for workers and equipment.

Click [here](#) to find details on other construction projects in IDOT's District 1. Updates on the impacts to traffic are available at [www.travelmidwest.com](http://www.travelmidwest.com)

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